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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices were lower on all weights in Chicago and Boston. In most other areas, prices were unchanged. The market tone was barely steady to weak. Demand was light to moderate and was best into features in progress or planned for next week. Supplies were adequate to available, instances ample for current requirements. Breaking stock supplies were adequate to fully adequate for the light to occasionally good demand. Light type fowl were at least sufficient for processing schedules.

NORTH ATLANTIC In Boston, prices were unchanged to three cents lower on all sizes. In Philadelphia and New England, prices were unchanged. The market tone was barely steady to weak. Demand into all outlets was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available. Breaking stock offerings were fully adequate for the light demand. Light type hens were at least adequate for slaughter requirements.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged. The market tone was barely steady to weak at current price levels. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for trade requirements.

MIDWEST Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were 2 cents lower for large, down 1 cent for medium, and were unchanged for small. Prices in other areas were unchanged. The trade sentiment was barely steady. Retail demand was mostly light to instances moderate. Foodservice movement was generally moderate. Supplies were available for the larger sizes and mostly adequate for the lighter weights. Central States nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was moderate to occasionally good. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate. Floor stocks were adequate to fully adequate and continue to build. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment generally steady.

CHICAGO Prices for larger sizes dropped 2 cents, mediums declined 1 cent. Trade sentiment steady to barely steady. Retail and food service demand mixed, best where specials are a factor. Supplies of larger sizes available, lighter weights adequate.

SOUTHERN Prices ended the week unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending lower from current week. The market tone was barely steady entering the weekend. Demand was light to moderate, best where features were in progress or planned for next week. Supplies were mostly adequate to available for trade needs. Breaking stock demand was light for fully adequate offerings. Light type fowl were at least adequate for the fair demand.

WEST COAST Prices unchanged. The market tone was weak with asking prices for next week 9 cents lower on jumbo, extra large, and large, 6 cents lower on medium throughout the region. Retailer demand light. Offerings ample.

PRICES TO RETAILERS - SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NORTHEAST CITIES	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
Boston (Brown)	101-106	90-95	76-81
New York	67-69	64-67	53-56
Philadelphia	65-83.5	63-81.5	52-65.5
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	69-70	67.5-69	50-51
Jackson (1)	77-78	76-77	59-60
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	72-87	71-85	55-69
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	55-60	54-59	42-47
Detroit (2)	61-64	60-63	44-47
Major Ohio Cities (2)	62-70	61-69	45-54
Major Wisconsin Cities	65-72	63-70	48-55
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	80-84	77-80	61-64
Southern California(Grade AA)(4)	86-99	85-92	75-81
California (Grade AA) (1) (3)	102	95	85
(1) - Prices Reported Weekly	(3) - Reported Invoice Prices		
(2) - Delivered Warehouse	(4) - Prices To Retailers		

CALIFORNIA EGGS Prices unchanged. The market tone was weak with asking prices for next week 9 cents lower on jumbo, extra large, and large, 6 cents lower on medium and small. Retailer demand light overall with feature activity very limited. Offerings ample. Small invoice price 65. Ads in Southern California: smaller outlets- jumbo dozen 89, large dozen 99.

CALIFORNIA

PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	108
EXTRA LARGE	102
LARGE	95
MEDIUM	85

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	95-105
EXTRA LARGE	86-99
LARGE	85-92
MEDIUM	75-81

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	229-289
EXTRA LARGE	219-259
LARGE	199-229
MEDIUM	187-199

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Nest run prices ranged unchanged with checks and undergrades lower. Demand was moderate to occasionally good. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate. Floor stocks were adequate to fully adequate and continue to build. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment generally steady.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	32-36	33-35
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	16-20	
CENTRAL STATES AREA:		
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Prices were trending lower when compared to early week trading. Demand was light and offerings were fully adequate. The undertone was about steady. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending April 14, 2001 were 7% less than last week and 16% less than a year ago.

PRICES MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	30-34	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	17-22	
EASTERN REGION AREA:		
AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV		

Last week cases broken revised

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E 14-Apr-01
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED.
CW	1,088,469	25,331	10,718	5,732	1,892	3,896
PW	*1,079,594*	25,662	10,283	5,660	1,655	3,992
LY	1,143,818	27,459	10,401	5,561	2,707	3,854
% PW	1	-1	4	1	14	-2
% LY	-5	-8	3	3	-30	1
2001	*16,314,153*	371,416	165,146	89,524	34,695	59,365
2000	16,941,543	384,600	168,484	92,210	43,448	56,474

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -			
CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR	
41.96	42.24	41.33	

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 73 to 83 cents fob, mostly 73 to 75.5 cents, with no pasteurized whites reported. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak for whole egg and whites, and mostly steady for yolk. Offerings were adequate for whole egg, fully adequate for whites, and continued tight but slightly more available for yolk when compared to last week. Demand was moderate to good for whole egg, fair for whites and continued good for yolk. Breaking stock supplies were adequate to fully adequate with prices lower.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00 AM Friday 20 April, 2001 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK
WHOLE	17	29.5-35	31.41	-1.59
WHITES	16	16-24	18.38	-1.24
YOLKS	4	73-74	73.25	

EASTERN REGION FROZEN Prices were unchanged to lower on yolks, lower on whole, and unchanged on whites when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings of yolks remained short, supplies of whole egg were usually adequate, and whites were reported as fully sufficient. The undertone was about steady on yolks, barely steady on whole, and unsettled to barely steady on whites. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending April 14, 2001 were 6% less than the previous week and 13% less than a year ago.

	WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)			LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE	
WHOLE	44-47		54-59	
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		69-90	
WHITES	30-35	31-32	38-54	
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	80-83	81-82	82-86	
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	77-80		77-83	
(/) - WHOLE PLUS YOLK PLUS SWEETENER, GENERALLY 28-32% EGG SOLIDS.				

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN Frozen whole egg prices ranged 1 to 2 cents lower with whites unchanged. Sugar and salt yolk ranged unchanged to 3 cents lower. Trade sentiment was unsettled on whole egg, barely steady to weak on whites and about steady on yolk. Offerings were usually adequate or available for whole egg and whites and continued tight for yolk. Demand was seasonally moderate and many buyers were waiting for prices to settle before purchasing additional product. Breaking stock supplies were adequate to fully adequate with prices lower when compared to last week.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	44-48	46
WHITES	30-35	30-33
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	80-83	82
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	77-79	79

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices 2 cents lower on whole, 1 cent lower on whites, and unchanged on yolks. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 4/14 was 1% more than the previous week. Breaking stock increased. Frozen demand fair with freezer stocks in good balance.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS) LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)

	RANGE
WHOLE	51-54
WHITES	37-40
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	87-90
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	84-87

NATIONAL DRIED EGG Majority prices were lower on albumen and unchanged on whole, blends, and yolks when compared to a week earlier. The undertone was about steady on yolks, steady on whole and blends, and unsettled to barely steady on albumen. Demand was fair. Offerings of yolks remained limited and other product items were usually sufficient for trade requirements. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending April 14, 2001 were 14% more than the previous week, but 30% less than the same week a year ago.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, DOLLARS PER LB., IN CONTAINERS, TRUCKLOT AND LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT VOLUMES.		
WHOLE	1.65-2.00	MOSTLY 1.65-1.75
YOLKS	1.75-2.00	MOSTLY 1.75-1.85
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.50-2.95	MOSTLY 2.50-2.60
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.28-1.40	MOSTLY 1.30-1.35

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR APR 13, 01-APR 19, 01

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS							
167.75								67.75								235.50							
SE				NE				MW				SC				NW				SW			
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS								
GNR W 1	44.67	40.00	42.64	44.75	38.00	40.50	39.00	GL W J	45.00	—	—	—	—	54.85	5.00								
GNR W 2	—	—	42.00	44.00	—	40.00	5.00	GL W XL	40.99	45.33	—	—	51.50	50.77	33.25								
GNR W 3	—	—	—	28.50	—	—	2.00	GL W LG	39.02	47.00	—	—	67.50	48.51	33.25								
GNR BR 1	—	—	46.50	47.50	—	—	3.00	GL W MD	36.14	—	—	—	39.90	42.32	12.50								
GL W J	—	—	—	—	42.94	44.00	4.00	GL W SM	21.00	—	—	—	43.50	32.40	1.25								
GL W XL	—	43.00	51.63	50.83	41.43	—	28.00	NRBS - 48	34.00	—	—	—	—	—	3.00								
GL W LG	—	—	48.75	49.92	39.88	—	29.75																
GL W MD	—	38.00	34.50	37.75	33.30	36.83	20.25																
GL W SM	23.13	25.00	22.00	23.50	—	26.50	5.00																
NRBS - 50	—	—	33.50	33.00	—	37.13	8.25																
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	31.00	32.52	34.85	37.50																
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	30.50	32.00	1.00																
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	28.00	30.00	1.00																
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	—	26.00	6.00																
NRBS - 36	—	—	12.00	14.00	—	—	.25																

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

EASTERN LIGHT Prices were unchanged. Demand was generally fair. Offerings were at least adequate for the mostly normal processing schedules. Sales of canner product was clearing. The market tone was steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Trading was too few to report. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were fair. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices unchanged. Offerings were at least ample for the fair demand. Many producers were looking for alternative sites of disposal for their spent hens with little success. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plants worked full schedules. Offerings ample.

LIVE TYPE HENS

CENTS PER LB., DAY OF NEGOTIATION, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS

	LIGHT	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern Light	0-0	(1)	
Eastern Light	0-0	(2)	
So. Central Light	TFEWR	(2)	
No. Central Light	TFEWR	(1)	
No. Central Light	0	(2)	
(1) Buyer Loading (2) Producer Loading			
(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT			

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 20-APR-01
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A
LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED
STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	72.87	70.49	57.12
SOUTHERN	74.31	72.98	56.02
MIDWEST	64.09	62.99	48.02
WESTERN	94.54	89.55	78.56
TWELVE METRO AREAS	78.78	75.83	62.70
COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS			

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Prices were generally unchanged on the lights and heavies when compared to a week earlier. Offerings were becoming more available on the heavy canners but continued to clear satisfactorily. Offering of light canners were adequate. Demand was light to moderate. The undertone was cautiously steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
23.5-25 MAJORITY	34-39 MAJORITY 34-37.5
CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED	
LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
24-27.5 MAJORITY 24-25	34-39.5 MAJORITY 36-39

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 14-Apr-01

(PRELIMINARY) **U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
(THOUSANDS)			
HEAD	1,651	1,473	3,124
LAST WEEK	2,033	1,443	3,476
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,259	1,335	3,594
TO-DATE/2001	28,008	19,605	47,613
TO-DATE/2000	30,560	20,449	51,009

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
(THOUSANDS)			
HEAD	316	7	323
LAST WEEK	399	0	399
SAME WEEK YR AGO	484	0	484
TO-DATE/2001	7,704	107	7,811
TO-DATE/2000	8,220	50	8,270

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
(THOUSANDS)			
HEAD	1,967	1,480	3,447
LAST WEEK	2,432	1,443	3,875
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,743	1,335	4,078
TO-DATE/2001	35,712	19,712	55,424
TO-DATE/2000	38,780	20,499	59,279

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending Apr 07, 2001	Year-To-Date			
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	190	39	2,635	1,623
Frozen	0	0	0	40
Dried	0	18	22	76
Total	190	57	2,657	1,739

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending Apr 07, 2001	Year-To-Date			
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	52	178	1,351	1,871
Frozen	57	6	450	134
Dried	20	18	163	403
Total	129	202	1,964	2,408

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending Apr 07, 2001	Year-To-Date			
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Jumbo	0	0	87	246
Extra Large	2,690	340	7,086	7,593
Large	2,560	2,450	27,615	34,677
Medium	150	300	11,548	9,667
Ungraded	9,000	3,060	43,088	25,740
Misc	0	750	6,287	3,750
Total	14,400	6,900	95,711	81,673

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Pltry Development Div.

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, LOOSE, AT FARM (CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS).

CENTS PER DOZEN	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	34-36	21-23	10-12

NEW ENGLAND PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
117-120	82-85	71-74	57-60	18-21

DETROIT PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE. CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
69-72	60-66	58-63	42-47	24-28

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -

SELECTED STGE CENTERS
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 16-Apr-01	3,077	130,830	66,264
AM 1-Apr-01	3,877	116,507	62,425
CHG	-800	14323	3839
PCT CHG	-21	12	6

Monthly Cold Storage Report

(In Units of 1,000)

	REVISED - A		-B-	
	Feb 28	Feb 28	Mar 31	Mar 31
	2000	2001	2000	2001
FROZEN EGGS:				
Whites	3,140	2,985	3,107	2,238
Yolks	837	1,127	757	866
Whole & Mixed	9,543	10,339	9,048	9,857
Unclassified	1,248	1,017	1,083	1,630
Total Frozen Eggs	14,768	15,468	13,995	14,591

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

W/E 14-Apr-01

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW THOUSANDS	PCT CHG PW	LY
ATLANTA	32.1	27.5	17	23
BOSTON	4.1	3.7	11	11
CHICAGO	89.6	80.6	11	4
DETROIT	33.9	29.6	15	-17
KANSAS CITY	11.2	7.5	49	229
LOS ANGELES	124.0	143.9	-14	12
NEW ORLEANS	9.8	7.9	24	-37
NEW YORK	40.9	38.7	6	-2
ST. LOUIS	22.6	25.1	-10	12
SAN FRANCISCO	35.5	25.6	39	49
TOTAL	403.7	390.1	3	8
4 WK MVG AVG	371.2			

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT

W/E 14-Apr-01

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	231.4	0	3
E.N. CENTRAL	560.4	5	14
W.N. CENTRAL	305.2	1	21
S. ATLANTIC	199.7	2	-3
S. CENTRAL	82.2	2	5
WEST	255.1	13	15
TOTAL	1634.0	4	11

MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING 90 90

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG

APRIL 17, 2001

PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS
DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	118	107	93	54
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	111-115	100-104	86-90	47-51
MOSTLY	113-114	102-103	88-89	49-50
RHODE ISLAND	114-118	103-107	89-93	50-54
MOSTLY	114	103	89	50
VERMONT	120-121	109-110	95-96	-
MOSTLY	121	110	96	-

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